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 Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUBSTANCE UTILIZING
 MICROORGANISM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

Amendment and Request for Reconsideration: 7 pages.
 Petition for Extension of time from the Office Action, mailed August 9, 2004, 1 months to December 9, 2004: 1 pages
 Information Disclosure Statement: pages.
 PTO-1449: pages.
 cited references.
 PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form (fee calculated as shown below): pages.
 Other: Substitute Specification; Clean Copy 23 pages, Marked Up Copy 24 pages

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